

parently from nine to twelve years of age, playing.

The missionary said, "Madam, I am here to see if you will allow your girls to attend Sunday school tomorrow morning."

"I would, sir; but what you see on them is all the clothing they have, and you would not wish them to go as they are now."

"The Lord will provide, madam. Have you no money?"

Not yet, but I have committed my case into the hands of the Lord."

"Have you any thing to eat?"

"Nothing, sir."

"What will you do for breakfast?"

"Oh, sir, I once had a husband; he provided when he could. These children had a father; he supplied their wants; but he is dead now. Yet my Maker, even God, is my husband, and he has promised to be a father to the fatherless. We have committed all to him, have called upon him in this our day of trouble. I am trusting in God to take care of a poor widow and her children in a strange place, and I know he will provide."

"Thank God for such faith," said the missionary; and handing her the basket said, "here is your basket, and you shall have the clothing for your children."

"Oh, thank God for His faithfulness! He heareth and answereth prayer. May He bless you!" And said our dear brother to us, "I felt the promise was sure, for she was blessed in receiving, I was more so in give."

In some way or other the Lord will provide.
It may not be my way, it may not be thy way,
But yet in His way the Lord will provide.

Despond then no longer; the Lord will provide.
And this be the token—no word he hath spoken
Was ever yet broken: "The Lord will provide."

March on then right boldly, the sea shall divide;
The pathway made glorious, with shoutings victorious,
We'll join in the chorus, "The Lord will provide."

A BRETHREN HOME AT WINONA. ✨ ✨ ✨

Read Below.

The General Conference of the Brethren church has unanimously decided to meet at Winona at least three years out of every four. This was on account of the beauty of the place, its central location, the cheap railroad rates, the ample accommodations, the unity which will be given the work from year to year, and many other reasons.

THEREFORE, it is very desirable that there should be a Brethren home located on the grounds. Several other denominations already have such buildings and more are contemplated.

SPIRITUALLY, such a center will be of the utmost value because here those of like faith will gather to strengthen one another and turn the inspiration gathered from the meetings into the channels of the church.

SOCIALLY too, the home will be a power because of the friendships formed and cemented. It will help the church to have unity thru love rather than law.

FINANCIALLY, the project will render handsome returns. This will appear from the statements below.

THE OPPORTUNITY. A handsome private hotel has been offered the Brethren at a reasonable price and an option for ninety days has been taken. It is

The Garfield Springs Cottage.

LOCATION. The cottage is on the terrace about two hundred feet south of the auditorium. It is practically in the center of a circle which would include the auditorium, tent, general offices and stores, the Inn, the Moody and Marshall houses, the Indian mound, the new Boys' Preparatory School, the street car terminus and other places. It is just above the famous Garfield springs which are to be greatly beautified, and so close that no other building can come before it. The view is fine.

THE BUILDING AND LOT. The grounds include two lots plus six feet, making sixty-six feet front and forty feet depth, with option on twenty feet more if we wish. The building was erected in 1897, and contains in all twenty-six rooms. It has a large front veranda and an exceptionally good cellar. It is no summer cottage but

a solid, well-built house for summer and winter. It is furnished to accommodate forty guests. The furniture is of fine oak thru-out. There are two cooking stoves, two heating stoves and one gasoline stove. Each room is furnished with bed with husk-filled, cotton-top mattress, full toilet set, one rocker and two other chairs, dresser, stand, rack, etc. The windows are weighted and screened at top and bottom. Eight of the rooms have carpet and the rest matting. Only six however have flues. The dining room is large. Roger plate silver ware is used on all the tables. The kitchen has a cistern and well in it with sewer connections and tubs for laundry work, refrigerator, servants' rooms adjoining, etc. The parlors are elegantly furnished.

THE PROPOSITION. The entire grounds, building and furnishings even to the linen on the beds and tables are offered for \$4000.00. Of this \$1000.00 is to be paid down and the rest in six yearly payments of \$500. each with interest at 6 per cent.

A PLAN. It is proposed that a company be organized to purchase the building. Already more than a dozen have agreed to take shares at \$100.00 each. The building rents at present for \$400.00 for the Chautauqua season. Allowing \$100 for concessions and improvements and computing interest at 6 per cent. on the payments, each investor of \$100 would only have to pay \$25 cash and six yearly payments averaging \$7.62.

If however we should run the house ourselves the income could be almost doubled and thus after the first would more than cover the payments each year. Remember that thousands of dollars are being spent annually in beautifying the grounds, and property is constantly advancing in price. The new boys' school will be located very near this building. It will be opened next September and will, we are told, cause property near it to almost double in value.

If during the summer the rental of our cottage will bring 10 per cent on the investment, how much more can be expected when it can be used winter and summer? Then we can have it to use as we please during our meetings. The lots are large enough that the building can easily be made double or treble its present size if we desire.

The opportunity seemed so exceptional that a committee was appointed to advertise the matter and complete the organization of the company if possible within the next ninety days. All interested should write at once. More than one share can be taken if desired. When all are taken the necessary legal steps will be attended to and arrangements made for the management of the building.

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